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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

James V. Luciani

Application No.: 09/429,047

Filed: October 29, 1999

For: **METHOD FOR IMPROVING  
SIGNALING EFFICIENCY AND  
PERFORMING SERVICE LOAD  
BALANCING IN A CONNECTION  
ORIENTED NETWORK**

Examiner: UNKNOWN

Art Group: 2739

**LETTER TO THE DRAFTSPERSON**

Attn: Official Draftsman  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's approval of the following changes to the drawings shown in red ink on the attached drawings.

1. Please delete "y" to the right of block 240 and insert —NHS—.

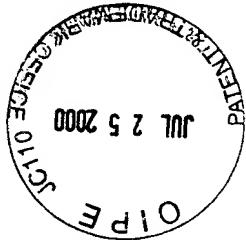
From the text of block 260 it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art that connector B from block 240 indicates the NHS path disclosed on Figure 2.

2. Please delete "y" below block 240 and insert —NHC—.

From the text of blocks 245, 250 and 255 it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art that connector A from block 240 indicates the NHC path disclosed on Figure 2.

Applicant respectfully submits that substantive no new matter has been added.

Applicants will postpone submission of formal drawings until the claims have been allowed.



Dated: July 20, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

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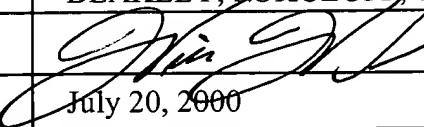
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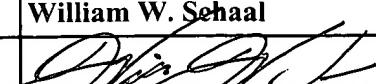
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